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Radiological Emergency Response Assistance and Resources

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The Realities of Disaster Management

The “Rules”

- **Self-organizing efforts** by citizens, responders in the field, and other emergency organizations at the state, federal, non-profit and private sector levels will create unexpected communications paths and response structures.
- **Information** about the entire emergency disaster response structure or even parts of response (including how it extends across the community, city, operational area, the status and organization of the regional response, state response, and federal response) **is incomplete**.
- Existing **strains** between organizations may be exacerbated.
- Because of initial starting conditions, and varying resource demands, critical activity rates within and between organizations **drive** each other and the overall response in **unpredictable and complex** ways.

From What Disaster Response Management Can Learn From Chaos Theory
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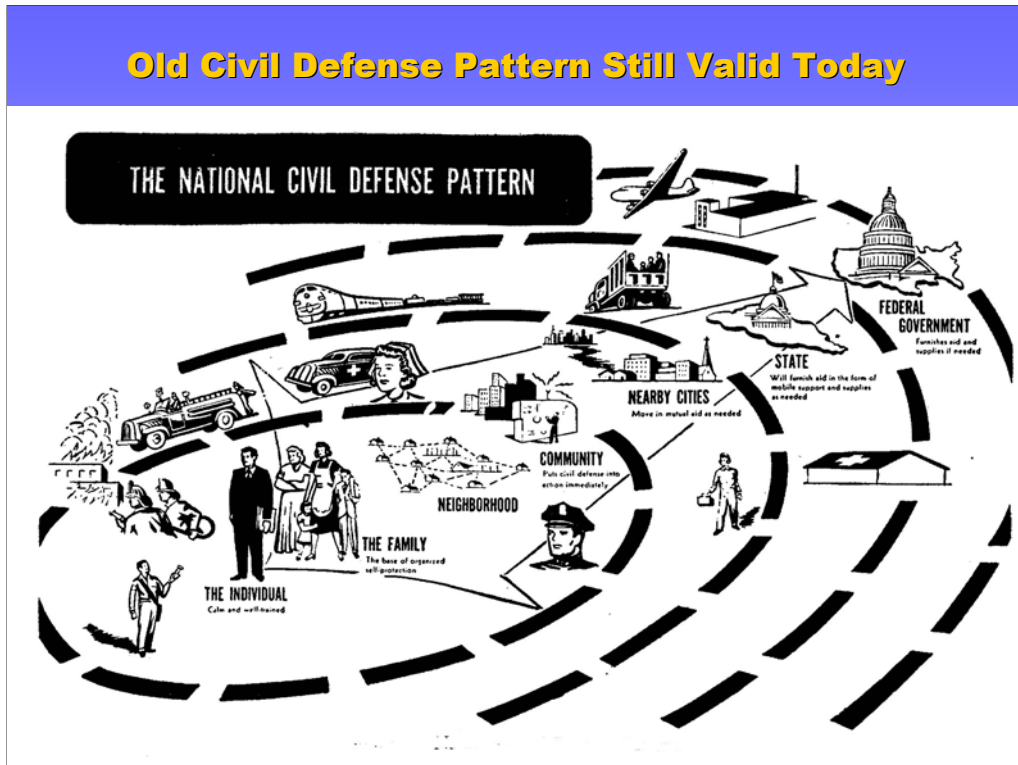
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Note the “self-organizing efforts.” These self-organizing activities should be expected.

For these to be successful, these self-organizers must have some basic awareness of what to do in a radiological situation.

Also note the issue of strains between organizations and the unpredictable and complex influences in a disaster scenario.

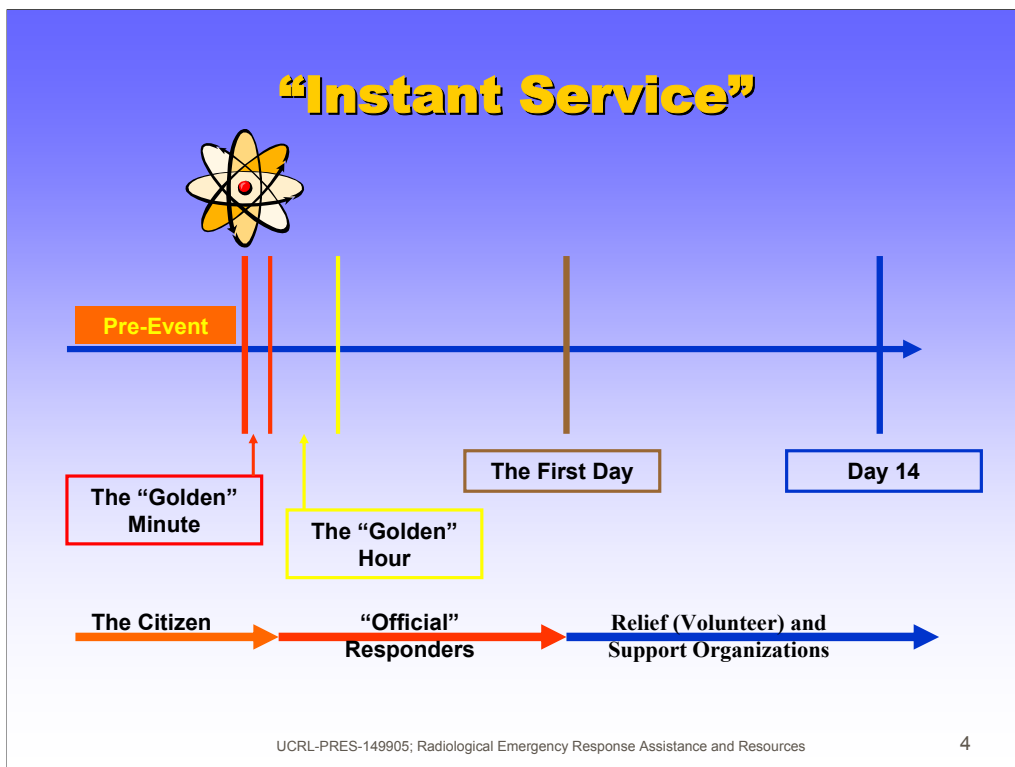
Old Civil Defense Pattern Still Valid Today



Disaster Response is a LOCAL activity. While the state and federal governments may provide assistance, the initial WORK is done by local organizations.

The individual and family play a significant role in these responses. They must be informed of WHEN and HOW to respond.

Not that the caption for “The Individual” says “calm and well-trained.” The annotation for “The Family” says “the base of organized self-protection.” These are messages that are still valid today.

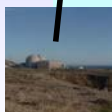


This graph represents how a radiological event would unfold. The expectation is that there would be immediate response to a radiological event, but that “instant” response actually extends over a much wider time period.

- 1) The actions of the individual within the first few minutes of an event have a profound impact on how the event will unfold. The “pre-event” period is an opportunity to familiarize the citizen with what should be done.
- 2) Local first responders will have the primary responsibility for the first day following the event (if for no other reason than they are the closest to the scene). These folks need to ensure that they have the knowledge and equipment to deal with a radiological event, recognizing that a radiological event changes the response paradigm to some degree.
- 3) After the first day, support agencies (many of whom are voluntary in nature) will gradually take over from the first responder community.
- 4) After about 14 days, the scene will probably shift to a recovery organization and will “normalize” to the extent that it can.

Note that after the first day or two, local personnel resources who are familiar with radiological work practices could become exhausted, this is why additional “specialty” technicians need to be called in early.

State of California Radiological Emergency Assistance Resources



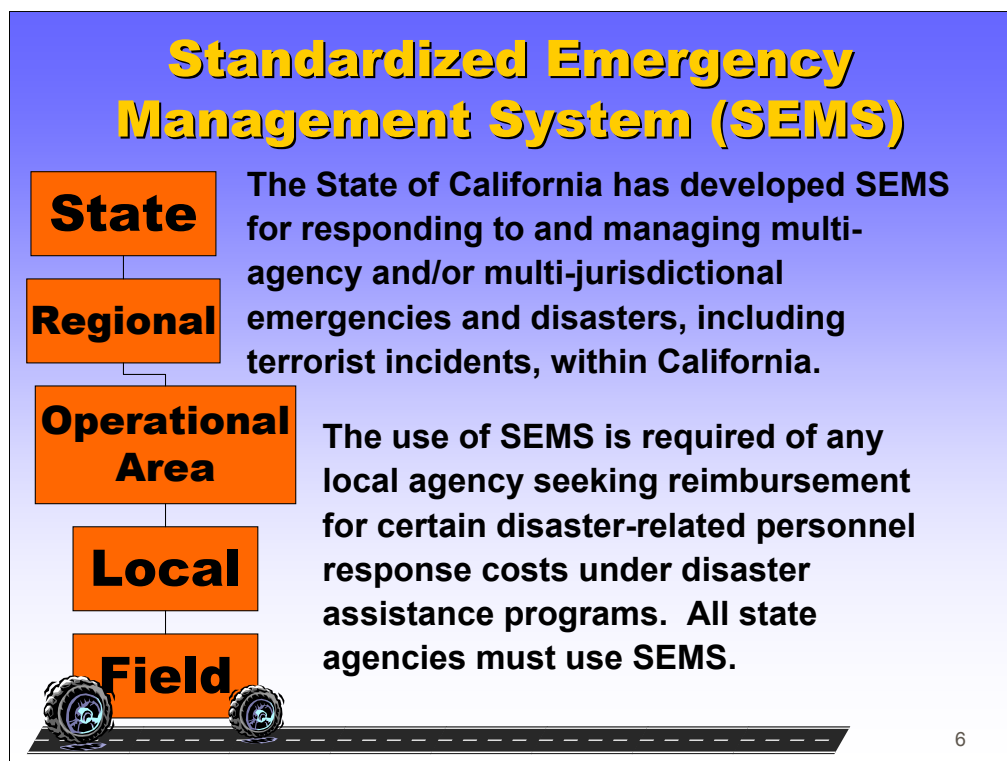
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- Local Fire and Hazmat Responders
- County Department of Health Services
- State Department of Health Services, Radiologic Health Branch
- Office of Emergency Services
- National Guard Civil Support Teams
- Federal Assistance Also Available:
 - Local DOE Radiological Assistance Program (RAP) Teams
 - Other National Assistance (FEMA)

There are many support organizations that can assist in a radiological emergency response.



The five SEMS organization levels, together with the private sector, are also collectively referred to as the California Emergency Organization (see definitions). This organization represents all resources available within the state, which may be applied to disaster response and recovery. It operates from established Emergency Operations Centers (EOCs) at all levels of government, as well as in many businesses and industries. The goal is to support emergency activities which protect life, property, and the environment. In addition, a number of discipline-specific mutual aid sub-systems have been developed in California to support the emergency management structure.

The following are the five levels of SEMS:

State: Statewide resource coordination among the regions and with federal agencies. Refer to the *California-Federal Emergency Operations Center Guidelines* for more information regarding state-federal operations at this level.

Regional: Manages and coordinates information and resources, including state resources, among Operational Areas within the region. Coordinates mutual aid and allocation of essential supplies and equipment within the region. Interfaces at the regional level with federal Emergency Support Functions. Refer to the *California-Federal Emergency Operations Center Guidelines* for more information regarding state-federal operations at this level.

Operational Area: Manages and coordinates information among all local governments within the geographical boundaries of a county. Provides communication and coordination between local governments and the region.

Local: County, city and county, city, or special district. Have primary responsibility for the protection of the health, safety, and property/resources of its citizens.

Field: Onscene responders from a variety of emergency response organizations with direct control of resources and response functions at the scene of a disaster.

How to Initiate SEMS

- Follow your normal notification (and event escalation) protocols
- Notify the OES Warning Center,
(800) 852-7550 or (916) 845-8911
- Suspected Terrorism Response Actions Fall Under the FBI Jurisdiction.

Local FBI Offices

Sacramento	(916) 481-9110
San Francisco	(415) 553-7400
Los Angeles	(310) 477-6565
San Diego	(858) 565-1255

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If you suspect the incident involves terrorism, at any level of the response, in addition to the above actions, immediately:

Call the nearest FBI Field Office and inform them of the situation.

Sacramento	(916) 481-9110
San Francisco	(415) 553-7400
Los Angeles	(310) 477-6565
San Diego	(858) 565-1255

California Office of Emergency Services

**Under the authority of the
Emergency Services Act
and other legislation, OES
mitigates, plans and
prepares for, responds to,
and aids in recovery from
the effects of emergencies
that threaten lives,
property, and the
environment.**





National Guard Civil Support Teams




95th Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team
Hayward, California




Assess					Advise					Facilitate						
Damage to Infrastructure	Damage to Populace	ID Chemical Hazard	ID Biological Hazard	ID Radiological Hazard	Vulnerabilities	Anti-terrorism Actions	Response & Recovery	Emergency Preparation	Safeguard the Populace	Follow-on Support	Situational Understanding	Preparatory Activities	RFA Development	Communication Support	Analytical Support	Follow-on Support


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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Emergency Radiological Response Assistance and Training Available from the Department of Energy



National Nuclear Security Administration

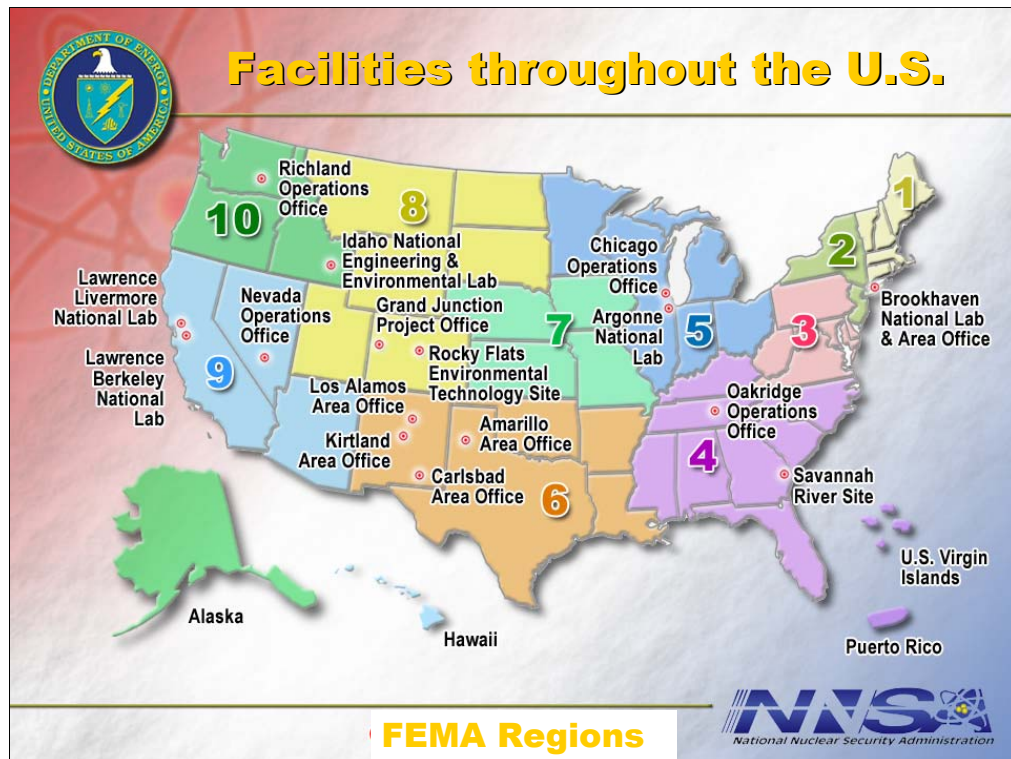
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The Department of Energy

- Facilities throughout the US with a large staff experienced with radioactive material and emergency response.
- Experts in nuclear weapon systems, radiation safety, threat assessment, detector technology, and smuggling intervention.
- Responsible for coordinating the monitoring and assessment of a national radiological emergency.
- Partners in emergency response.





Nuclear Emergency Support Team (NEST) Detecting Lost (or Hidden) Sources of Radiation

- Large, sensitive radiation detectors that can be:
 - mounted in Helicopters
 - mounted in aircraft
 - mounted in Vehicles, or
 - Hand carried
- Finding unlicensed radioactive materials as it enters or moves within the United States.

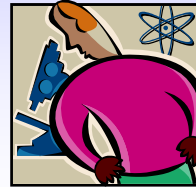


I tried to use the new language here instead if SRT and NEST.

Not sure of the sensitivity level of this information. This is the same information provided on in the public “blue folders”

Nuclear Emergency Support Team (NEST) Helping to Identify Unknown Radioactive Material

- NNSA has advanced field instrumentation capable of identifying the exact isotope of radioactive material.
- “Nuclear Triage” Concept, where instrument readings taken in the field can be remotely reviewed by an expert in NNSA.
- Once identified, NNSA can offer additional advice or assistance to properly manage the material.

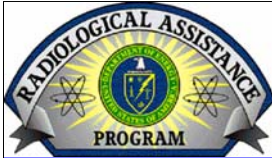


Again, new language.

If Radioactive Material is spread through accident or intent, NNSA can help

- **Radiological Assistance Program (RAP)**
Regional emergency responders who are experts in radiological issues and response. These initial responders can call on the assets below as needed.
- **Radiation Emergency Assistance Center/Training Site (REAC/TS)**
Provides medical advice, specialized training, and the unique capability of on-site assistance for the treatment of all types of radiation exposure accidents.
- **National Atmospheric Release Advisory Center (NARAC)**
Provides atmospheric dispersion modeling to generate potential population exposures and PAG effected areas.
- **Aerial Measurement System (AMS)**
Sensitive detectors mounted on airframes to accurately measure contamination.
- **Accident Response Group (ARG)**
Provides safe recovery and transport for accidents involving nuclear weapons.
- **Federal Radiological Monitoring and Assessment Center (FRMAC)**
Helps coordinate monitoring and assessment data with other federal agencies.

Subsequent slide will cover this material in more detail, but if you are running out of time then give a verbal and stop here.



Radiological Assistance Program (RAP)

- Regional, On-Call Responders
- Specialized Equipment
- All Volunteers with Extensive Radiological Experience
- Outreach to help 1st Responder Preparation
- Tailored Response that provides access to **all of DOE assets**.



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Discuss that RAP is their doorway to all of DOE assets.

Responses can be as trivial as getting phone advice to a full blown event that requires all of the DOE assets about to be discussed.

Most common response is a low-key site visit involving a few, non uniformed, RAP experts.

REAC/TS MISSION STATEMENT



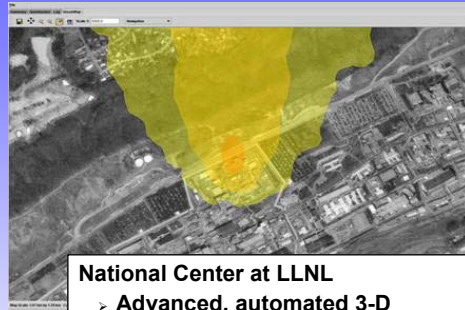
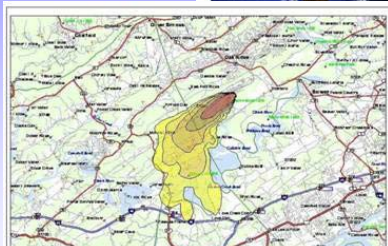
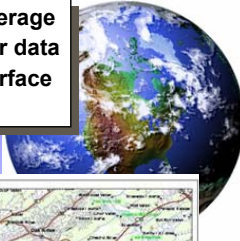
- The Radiation Emergency Assistance Center/Training Site (REAC/TS) provides:
 - medical advice
 - specialized training, and
 - on-site assistance for the treatment of all types of radiation exposure accidents.
- 24-hour response center to provide direct support, including deployable equipment and personnel trained and experienced in the treatment of radiation exposure.
- REAC/TS also manages the national use of drugs used to treat internally deposited radioactive material.
 - *In continuous operation since June 1976*

National Atmospheric Release Advisory Center (NARAC)

Real-time advisories for hazardous atmospheric releases

World-wide data coverage

- Real-time weather data
- Terrain & land surface
- Maps



National Center at LLNL

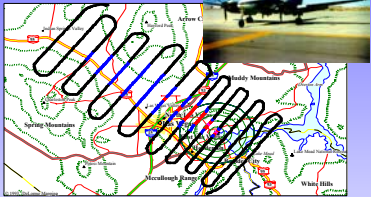

- Advanced, automated 3-D modeling system
- Scientific and technical staff provides training and assistance 24 hrs x 7 days


Real-time Hazard Advisories


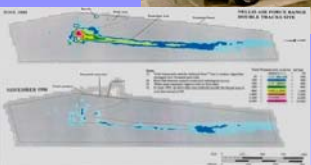
- Nuclear, radiological, chemical, biological & natural releases
- National center predictions available within minutes using Internet/Web tools
- Deployed modeling tools on end user's computer
- Geographical information displays
- Affected population, health risks, recommended actions

Aerial Measurement System

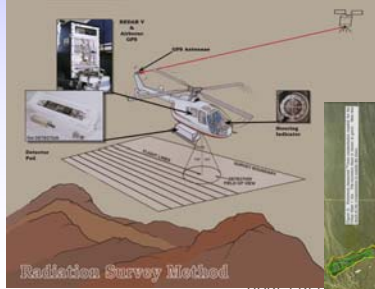

Quick-Look Radiological Mapping

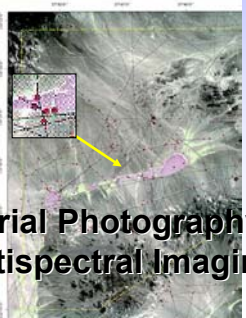


Detailed Radiological Mapping

Aerial Photography Multispectral Imaging



Quick-Look Mapping – 1ST responder, prepositioned at Nellis & Andrews AFB, 4 hours wheels up, exposure rate map delivered upon landing and via telemetry, flight path color coded by exposure rate at 1 meter.

Detailed Mapping – High sensitivity & spatial resolution, follow up to fixed-wing, 1st responder for nuclear weapon accident, full spectral capability (121 NaI), contour maps of concentration delivered 2 hours after landing. Example is Clean Slate I Am-241 visible 6 mi. downwind.

Aerial Photography – Vertical and oblique photos for scene documentation and mapping.

Multi Spectral Imaging – Images exploited to delineate features of interest, e.g., land use, damage, buried objects...

Example shows disturbed earth (dig sites) detected by MSS analysis on aerial photo processed as 7.5 minute orthophoto map to USGS map standards.

The Van is “Kiwi”, a flightless bird. We put the areial system in the vehicle and map very high resolution maps. It was build to DU and Pu. Works great



Accident Response Group (ARG)

- Collaborative effort between the **Department of Energy** and the **Department of Defense** to ensure the safety of America's Nuclear Weapon Stockpile.
- In the event of an accident involving a nuclear weapon, these agencies work together to ensure the **safety** and **security** of weapon recovery, transportation, and disposition operations.



Liquid abrasive cutter. Cutting a spar from a cruise missile



Fiberscope system used to examine internal condition of a warhead electrical system

Source:

LALP-98-96 August 1998

Federal Radiological Monitoring and Assessment Center (FRMAC) Consequence Management



- FRMAC provides the infrastructure for interagency cooperation
- Measurement database and Graphical Information System helps incorporate and display information quickly.
- Specialists provide expert radiological health assessments.
- Additional capabilities for Extended hotline and personnel monitoring support.
- Mobile radiological laboratories quickly evaluate samples.



TRAINING and OUTREACH

- DOE has a variety of regional and national training and outreach efforts, including:
 - Transportation Emergency Preparedness Program (TEPP)
 - Instrumentation workshops
 - Drill & exercise participation
 - Counter terrorist and Emergency Operations Training Academies
 - Specialized training may be available on request



For more information on NNSA training and outreach efforts in your area, contact your local Regional Response Coordinator. Contact info at the end of the presentation

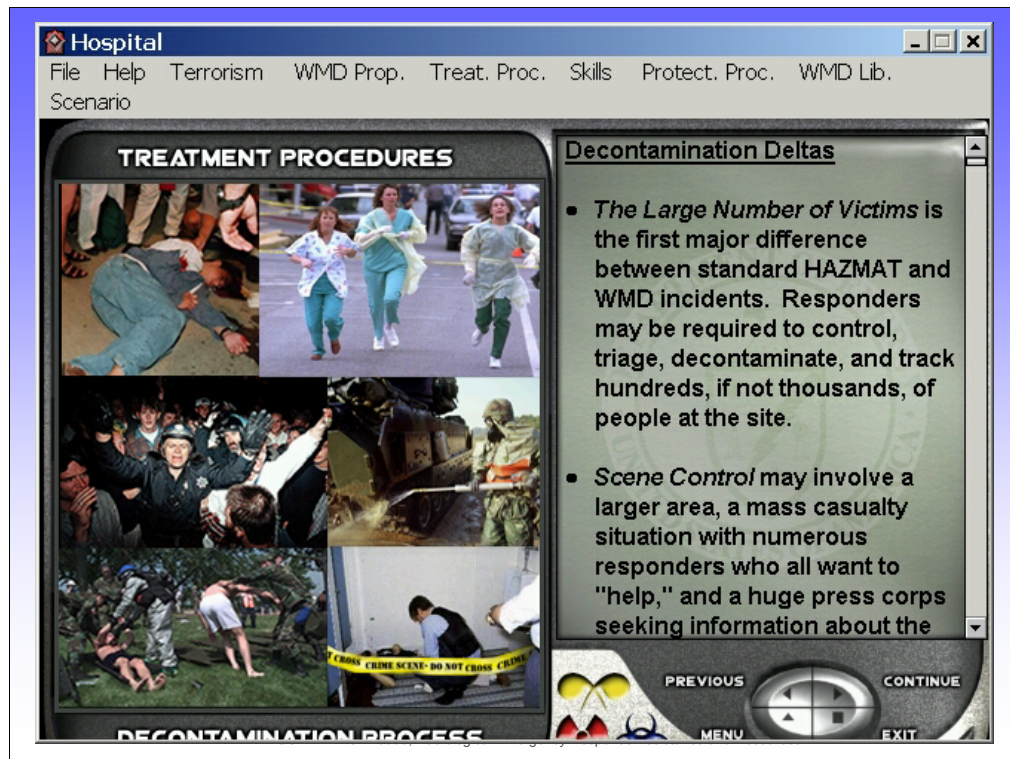
Emergency Operations Training Academy



Mission:

Ensure the **effective and efficient** training of emergency operations personnel throughout the Department of Energy who are, or may become involved in the **Planning, Preparedness, and Response** of **vital national resources**.

For more information or a schedule of courses or available distributed computer based training materials , Visit www.eota.doe.gov or call (505) 845-5170 ext.172



One of the products that EOTA produces is Computer Based training or CBT. This interactive training distributed on 8 CDs is a multimedia rich interactive training to provide self paced individual training at the hospital or EMS facility.

(DOJ) TRAINING AT NEVADA TEST SITE COUNTER TERRORISM OPERATIONS SUPPORT



- **Conducts five weapons of mass destruction (WMD) training courses for dept of justice office of domestic preparedness**
 - **Instruction and hands-on drills train-the-trainer course with classroom**
 - **Hazardous material (hazmat) technician**
 - **WMD radiological/nuclear responder course**
 - **Weapons of mass destruction (WMD) practical exercise course**
 - **Weapons of mass destruction (WMD) exercise development course**
- **Conducts training for national guard civil support teams**



CONTACT JAMES SUDDERTH AT (702) 295-2559 FOR MORE INFORMATION

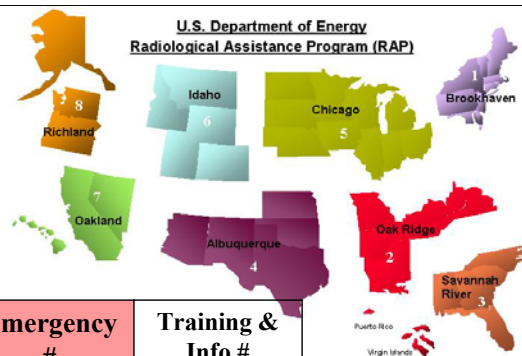
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Conclusion:

Department Of Energy Assistance

- DOE has several emergency response assets that can help others manage radiological incidences.
- Training and outreach efforts can better prepare responders for radiological accidents or events.
- DOE facilities are distributed throughout the US and provide local response capability.

DOE Emergency Assistance or Training Info, Contact:



Region	NNSA Regional Response Coordinator	Emergency #	Training & Info #
1	Steve Centore	(631) 344-2200	(631) 344-7309
2	Steve M. Johnson	(865) 576-1005	(865) 576-9740
3	Christina T. Edwards	(803) 725-3333	(803) 952-6613
4	James E. Straka	(505) 845-4667	(505) 845-5581
5	Christine Van Horn	(630) 252-5731	(630) 252-2498
6	Steven A. Morreale	(208) 526-1515	(208) 526-0199
7	Mike Cornell	(925) 422-8951	(925) 422-0138
8	Kathy Beecher	(509) 373-3800	(509) 376-8519
HQ	Duty Officer, Washington, DC	(202) 586-8100	(202) 586-3201

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<http://radefx.bcm.tmc.edu/ionizing/subject/risk/acute.htm>

Disaster Preparedness for Radiology Professionals

Response to Radiological Terrorism

A Primer for Radiologists, Radiation Oncologists and Medical Physicists

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http://www.acr.org/departments/educ/disaster_prep/disaster-planning.pdf

Uranium Information Centre

Melbourne, Australia

<http://www.uic.com.au/index.htm>

Transportation Emergency Preparedness Program (TEPP)

<http://www.em.doe.gov/otem/program.html>

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Major Adrian T. Bogart III, National Guard Bureau's Civil Support Office and Major William L. "Lynn" Borel, Jr., ARNG Liaison

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